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THE GRATEFUL GOBLIN.

Nick Nickson was a woodchopper. He had lived close to the forest for many years with his wife and children. It was seldom Nick went to town or anywhere else, because he had a great deal of work to do to keep his family alive. Wood hewing never was much of a paying business, and Nick found it no better. But he never complained. He did the best he could in the best manner, and for the rest he trusted to a kind Provi-dence to assist him and his wife and

Nick had now been going into the woods for twenty-five years, and as he was walking along this morning he was thinking of that fact more than once.

"I have worked very hard," he muttered to himself as he stopped before a beautiful young oak tree ready to take off his jacket and start operations. "I have worked very hard," he said again, "and I think I ought to be pensioned off soon But I don't think there is much chance. Where should I get the money to keep my folks at home without work? But there, it is no use growling now on the day of my twenty-fifth anniversary in the wood chopping line. Providence has stood by me so long, and I don't think I shall be forgetten in the future. Do your duty with all your might, with all your strength, with all your ability, and with an unwearying spirit of energy and perseverance; that is my motto, and sucess is bound to follow some time or

By this time Nick had taken his top coat off and laid it and his hat down in the long grass. Then he took his ax in his hands, and after looking at the tree from its base to its crown he gave the first blow. Thick splinters flew in all directions, and Nick dropped his ax and

jumped back from the tree.
"What is the matter?" he said: "did I not hear a noise somewhere like the whining of a child?"

He stood and listened for a few moments, but all seemed to be quiet. Then he resumed his task. But he had only made one more blow at the tree when he was stopped again. This time he heard these words: "Get me out! Get me out!"
"Who is it that calls there?" Nick asked, who was not in the least afraid. "It is I, the goblin of Blinkingdale!" a thin voice replied.

"But where are you to be found?" "I am in the oak you have been hewing at, and I hallooed out because I was afraid you might kill me." "Well, tell me where I ought to strike

in order to extricate you without doing you any bodily harm," replied Nick Nickson. "The ax is too big and too sharp alto-

gether," now said the voice from the tree; "take your pocket knife and start cutting the bark about two feet from the ground. But be very careful or you will

cutting the bark. Piece by piece flew out, until at last he got to a hollow space, when the voice in the tree let out a shrick that was so loud and terrible all the trees in the wood seemed to be shaken by it. "Now you have cut my beard, you old

villain of a woodchopper," cried the goblin. "Oh, I will kill you if you are Poor Nick trembled with fear, because

he had often heard of goblins and their cruelty to people. But he soon realized that he was yet master of the situation. and he need not be afraid of the goblin. "Look here, Mr. Goblin," said Nick, "if you mean to kill me when you get out, I think I will leave you where you are and go home. Good-by.'

"For gracious sake, don't do that, my good man, so hallooed the goblin; "I did not mean what I said then, but you did hurt me, and no mistake. But be careful of my beard; it is very long, and it hurts very much if you pull only one of the hairs out. Now I will tell you something else. If you get me out without doing me any more harm I will give you a great reward, and make you the richest man in the world."

"How did you get into that tree?" asked Nick of the goblin. "To tell you that would be a very long story to relate. Be it sufficient for you to know that I have been in that tree twenty-five years today. You have got me out of my long imprisonment, and I will give you a reward when the time

With the last word the goblin had

"Well, but where is my reward?" cried Nick. "It is all very well to say I shall have it when the time comes, but when will that be? Oh, you mean little scamp of a goblin, to get me first to extricate you from an oak tree, where you were buried for twenty-five years, and then to run away from me because you are too stingy to thank me for it. Ah! this is an ungrateful, cruel world. Just when I thought that I was to be made rich, too. Ah, well! never mind; let me continue at my work of wood chopping, but I will be careful not to have any more to do with goblins."

Nick now worked away with his ax in a mad humor. He struck the trunk of the oak with terrific force. It seemed to satisfy his anger, because he imagined every time the ax hit the tree he was hurting the little goblin. In a few mo-ments the roots of the tree lay bare, and behold! what did Nick find? At the very base of the oak he saw a little black ebony box. He picked it up and he no-

ticed there was no lock to it. On the top was written the two words:
"Open me!" But the words were spelled backward, and when Nick looked at them it read in his mind: "em nepO!" Nick never had been very sharp in book learning, and it never struck him to try and make some sense out of the words "em nepO." He saw that he did not know what it meant and he did not trouble any more. When he went home he took the box along with him, thinking it would make a toy for one of his children

Arrived at his little cottage he found one of his neighbors sitting on the door-step. Nick showed him the little black box, told him where he found it and related to him his adventure was the goblin. The neighbor was a presty shrewd old man, and no sooner had he looked at the handwriting on the box when he knew what it meant. He had read it backward. But he never said so to Nick. When he went home he quietly put the

any one else a thief.

When the neighbor got into his cottage he immediately got a chisel and a ham-mer and smashed the box open. Inside he found a piece of paper, which was wrapped around a tiny little silver key. On the paper he read these lines:

box in his pocket. Nick did not notice

it. He was too honest himself to suppose

That with solid silver flows. These lines were signed, "Your Grate-

The man at once understood all. He knew where the box came from, and he knew that the goblin who had been in the oak had intended this for Nick. "Nick is a fool," the man said to himself. "I am going to lift the treasure. Why did he not keep the box for himself?" He accordingly went into the forest. He found the little nook, just as he was told, beside the silver maple tree. Examining the ground, he noticed a tiny keyhole. He had already put the key into the hole; he turned it around, and he saw the shining silver in the nook, when his hand was suddenly arrested by

Nick could not read backward.

"I am sorry," replied the man; "if you will forgive me I will go home and tell Nickson all about this silver treasure, and he can come and get it himself."
"No, there is no necessity for that. Anyhow, I do not believe you would keep your word. But now that you have found this silver treasure, take it and

carry it to your home; it shall be yours."

Then the goblin vanished. he took his cap, then his handkerchief, then he took off his coat and used it as a bag. But when all were filled he could not carry the load; it was too heavy. So he had to leave some behind. He hurried home and gave the silver to his wife, then he took a wheelbarrow and returnthe wheelbarrow to its utmost capacity before he left for home. On his way to his cottage, however, he had to cross a small bridge which led over a stream, bridge the boards broke under him, and the wheelbarrow, the silver and the man fell down into the deep. The load had been too beavy. The man was too greedy; he wanted too much, and now

he was drowned and he had nothing at all. It was fortunate for his wife and children that he had brought some of the treasure home, and they were saved from starvation. Now we will return to Nick Nickson.

the woodchopper. He never missed the little black box at all. Next morning he returned to the forest and worked away at chopping down trees as hard as ever. Sometimes he would think about the goblin, and then Nick would murmur "The world is very ungrateful. The next goblin I find in a tree has to stay there for all I care."

he was astonished to find again a little desert land also to see the possibility black box at the roots. He picked it up of supplying almost every tillable acre again, and on the top these words could of land in the county with an abundtime the writing was straight, and not by the system of storage reservoirs backward; so Nick read it at once, and, that is now being agitated throughout of course, understood.

"Open yur! All right, that is easily He put the box on the ground, took his ax, hit it one stroke and the box veys or otherwise, the board of superwas smashed. Inside Nick found a piece of paper wound around a beautiful golden key of the finest workmanship. Nick took the paper and, looking at it close, he saw that it contained the following verse:

At the castle on the mount Is a golden treasure, Where golden rod is often found

Waiting for your measure. writing long and intently. "Well," he to be found elsewhere. said, at last, "I will at once go and find out whether that goblin has played anfooled twice as once."

him when the goblin appeared. "So here you are, then," he said to small mil Nick; "so you did not give the box away business." this time. Why did you not keep the other?

Nick explained to the goblin that he did not know what the box contained. "Why did you not open it?" "I don't know."

"Well, your neighbor did, though, and he got a silver treasure. But I punished him before he was able to enjoy it, and he is now dead in the stream. Now, look here, Nick, you fancied that I did not mean to give you your reward as

"Well, it looked like it, did it not?" "Looked like it has nothing to do with You should have trusted me, and have a little patience. However, you are a pretty good fellow, Nick, and now here is your treasure. Enjoy it with your wife and children, live long and be happy; good-by, and remember some-times the Grateful Goblin."

Nick was now alone with his treasure. He took a good lot home with him, and he and his dear ones lived in the future as happy as happy can be,-Globe-Dem-

Patron Saints.

St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is the patron of the Universal church. St. Paneras, patron of childhood. St. Aloysius, patron of youth, purity and

St. Agnes, pairon of maidens. St. Monica, patron of matrons. St. Maxima, patron of virgins and wives. St. Vincent de Paul, patron of charities. St. Cammillus of Lellis-patron of hospitals. St. Sabine, invoked against gout and rheu-

St. Apollonia, invoked against toothache. St. Benedict Joseph Labre, invoked against St. Roch, invoked against contagious dis-

St. Barbara, invoked for the last sacra St. Blase prevents and cures sore throats. St. Sebastian is the patron of soldiers.
St. Hubert is the patron of hunters.
St. Thomas Aquinas, patron of schools.

The fact is beyond dispute, says a inent Illinois dairyman, that the fine aromatic flavor of butter, and also its keeping qualities, depend upon the management of the cream from the time it is separated from the milk until it goes

Mr. J. M. Ochoa, of Florence, Talks of the Flattering Condition of Pinal County.-Florence Growing.

opportunity yesterday evening to talk with Mr. J. M. Ochoa, who has been in the city several days, about the flattering outlook for the rapid development of the various natural resources in Pinal county. Mr. Ochoa has been a citizen of Florence since 1876; previous to that time he lived in Tucson and was engaged in the freighting past week there has been a party here business for Tully & Ochoa, at that time one of the largest mercantile ty, consisting of Surveyor Brecken-houses in Arizona, besides doing a ridge, James McClintock and Col. Norheavy freighting business for the gov- ton, collecting data and making esti-"You are not the man who liberated me from the oak tree!" said the little business since he left Tucson, doing business at Florence, and also at Their estimate is based on a two hun-The thief then had to confess that he Casa Grande. He has also had some dred foot dam, located about onegot hold of the box because his neighbor experience in the newspaper Business, quarter of a mile, below where Tonhaving furnished the money to buy to empties into Salt river, where they "Well, you had no business to be a the original plant with which was find the bed of the river two hundred thief, and you certainly had no right to commenced the publication of the feet wide, with sloping walls on either take that box which did not belong to Florence Enterprise.

A PROMISING OUTLOOK.

Mr. Ochoa speaks very hopefully of Pinal county, and says there are good reasons for believing that the standstill era has come to an end and the time for perceptible progress is now at hand. Said he: "The completion of the Florence canal is now only a matter of a few weeks; the contractor canal will furnish all the water necesanywhere in this Territory; it is believed, and has been to a certain exof land was supplied with water by the canal this season and was cultivated for the first time. Many hundred acres more have been cleared, and when he was in the center of this and the sub-ditches and laterals prepared and cultivation will begin next year. The owners of this land are to be congratulated. Every acre within reach of the canal has been taken up, mostly by men who will speedily put it in cultivation. Those who give their attention to grain and hay will make heavy profits, while those who put their acres in fruit will in a few years be reimbursed for all expenses, including cost of land and water-right, and then be possessors of orchards that will yield them small fortunes every year. The opening up of this vast body, of at present, desert land,

the west. To secure any advantages or assistance that may be contempla ted by the government in making survisors have, with commendable promptness, set to work and are gathering and having prepared in good shape all the information possible to obtain for the convenience of the sen storial committee that is soon to visit our Territor. Pinal county will be able to make a most favorable showing to the committee, as nature has been more The slip of paper was signed: "The liberal in supplying the natural reser-Grateful Goblin." Nick looked at the voir sites within her borders than are

THE CROPS THIS YEAR other trick on me. I might as well be have been larger, both in area and per cent. of production, than ever before. He immediately ran toward the moun- It has now about all been marketed tain, which stood not far into the forest, and a good portion of it shipped away Arrived there he climbed up the steep ascent, and when he got to the walls of largest part yet remains in the hands the castle he walked all around until he of the merchants of Florence. The found the yellow golden rod growing quality of wheat cannot be excelled, everywhere. Then he examined the and the barley is fine. All the wheat wall. In a moment he noticed a small has to be shipped out of the county hole in the wall, which seemed to have for want of milling facilities at Florbeen made for his golden key. Putting ence. Here is a chance for some one it in the hole and turning round was seeking a profitable business investdone in a second. Nick already beheld ment. It is one of the time-worn the glittering mass of shining gold before long-felt wants of Florence and the people tributary to that place. A small mill would certainly do a fine

FLORENCE IMPROVING.

Speaking of Florence Mr. Ochoa continued, "the city of Florence continues to improve, many new and substantial residences and business houses have sprung up during the last year, and plans are being matured for other and more extensive work in the near future. It is true that the business men have complained a great deal about dull times this summer, and their complaints were not without cause. The shutting down of the Silver King mine last fall was a severe blow to Florence. It has been the best camp in the territory for years, and from 400 to 800 men were steadily employed. Of course much of the trade from these men came to Florence. The force was suddenly and without notice reduced to 300 men in the mine, and the mill at Silver King was on top. It is to be in Portland cewas, and will of course replace the business in Florence lost by the Silver King reverse." NOTES.

started up last week and is running nine feet of its base will be beneath than a 50 stamp mill will be put to -Ex. work on this property during the next twelve months.

The agitation of the new railroad from Casa Grande to Florence is now people are enthusiastic over the will make eight states like Indiana,

Mr. Ochoa was not posted in regard be established in Florence. With a little experience in that line, he is inclined to believe the venture to be one wherein the profits will be exceedingly small if any. The fruit crop about Florence is

better than before. The mines throughout the country are all reported in good condition.

meets with gener I favor, in fact there The reporter took advantage of an rapidly growing condition of Pinal

> The Proposed Dam Near the Mouth of Tonto Creek. [Globe Silver Belt.]

ARMER, Gila Co., Arizona August 1, 1889.

EDITORS SILVER BELT:-During the under the auspices of Maricopa counernment. Mr. Ochoa has been most mates on the quantity of water that a side, composed of sandstone and lime rock, sloping back one foot with each foot in height to the elevation of one thousand feet. The Aneroid barometer shows an

elevation above the dam, at Allen's crossing, of thirty feet; at Steamboat rock, sixty feet; at Armer's house. one hundred feet; at Robertson's crossing, one hundred and ten feet, has a large force of men on the last and at mouth of Pinto creek, one hun- ported last week. The work of bor seven miles of the work, and will com-The man at once began to fill his pockets with silver. When they were filled

seven miles of the work, and will complete it early in next month. This
plete it early in next month is eightly feet higher than the month in the month in next month in the month i the dam. They find the valley below and the borers are now at work cut sary for the reclamation of over 50,000 Steamboat rock to be two miles wide ting it away with the drill. Had it acres of as good land as can be found and above about the same. It is esti- not been for this trouble, water would mated that were this dam built, over have been reached before now. One one million acres of arid land in Mar- side of the twenty-stamp mill, or ten tent demonstrated, that the land un- icopa county would be reclaimed and stamps, is now in position and will b der this canal is peculiarly adapted to turned into the best of arable ranches, ready to start as soon as water is seed to the work by the brook. He loaded fruit culture. Over six thousand acres and a sufficient quantity of water cured. The pump has been ordered stored to irrigate the same, while and is now on the road. There is they approximate not over one thous- sufficient ore on the dump to run the and acres under cultivation on Salt ten stamps four months. Eight new river in Gila county at the present men were put to work in the mine time. One half the dam, if built, will this week. Mr. Loss will soon put in be in Gila county, and the other half use the Burleigh drill, which is now in Maricopa. There is where the sol- being successfully used at the Silver ons of Gila let their foot slip in estab- Reef. lishing the county boundary. A rough estimate of the cost of the

age of about eighty feet deep. Salt river at Phenix, during the about them.

past three months, has only been affording about twelve thousand inches of water, and the Arizona canal alone has a capacity of sixty thousand inches. It is no doubt inevitable that the dam will be built in the not far distant future-if not by the government, After he had chopped down one tree can be done in the way of irrigating irrigate what land is already under cultivation. If the dam is built the government will no doubt condemn be read again; "Open me." But this ance of water at all times of the year those now in possession will be paid a good accommodations where the at indemnified.

This is the basis of a report that below Giobe. Yours,

GEO. A. ALLEN.

Some Gigantic Reservoirs.

The Johnstown dam cost, originally \$240,000. It covered an area of about 500 acres, impounding the water from fifty or sixty square miles of watershed. It was 72 feet high and 100 covering millions of acres of arid lands, feet long and formed a lake that held and no sooner had the engineers start-480,000,000, cubic feet of water, 3,600,- ed out than they were followed by sur-000,600 gallons. It has been spoken veyors in the employ of specula-

Croton dam, in New York-434 feet feet long, 248 feet being of masonry and the remainder of earth. The height is about 40 feet. The foundas a cushion to break the fall of the Idaho. water. The back of the dam is filled with earth. Impounds 5,000,000,000 gallons.

Sweetwater dam,in National City, California-Rubble masonry in Portland cement 984 feet high, 46 feet thick at bottom and 12 feet at top. Of curved type, with a radius of 213 feet; 360 feet long on crest. Impounds 6,000,-000,000 gallons.

Dam at Oakland, Cal.-Earth; 80 feet high, 300 feet long and 310 feet wide at base. Impounds 5,000,000,000 Dam at Redlands, Cal. - Bear Val-

ley dam-Granite masonry in cement; 64 feet long, 20 feet thick at base and 1st feet at top. Curved type, with radius of 335 feet. Impounds 10,000,000-000 gallons. Dam at San Mateo, Cal.-This is to be 170 feet high, 700 feet long, 176 feet thick at base and 20 feet thick

The Quaker Bridge dam, Los Ange-The mill at the Reymert mine was with a base 216 feet wide. Ninety-In the meantime the work the lake bottom, so that the visible

> Major Powell announces an estimate that is everywhere regarded as 100,000,000

is virtually no opposition. The present court house is far in the rear of said in the past about the various There has been much written and the present already-developed and properties in the Casa Grande mining district, but there never was a time when the prospects were brighter for the mining industry in that section than now. From Mr. Chris C. Loss, superintendent of the Golden West Company it is learned that

> A NEW DISCOVERY has been made in the Silver Reel mine. In clearing away the side of the hill near the powder magazine, preparatory to starting a tunnel to the main shaft, an immense ledge was struck on the surface, being a continuation of the rich body of ore that was encountered in the dykes. The smelter, engines, boiler, etc., are now in

position at the Silver Reef.

THE MONARCH. The strike reported last week in the Monarch mine is proving to be better than was at first thought. The body of ore is growing richer, and, from present development, is immense in size. Mr. Conlee, the superintendent, has everything in readiness to start up the mill as soon as the pump arrives for the well. It was shipped two weeks ago, and is expected to arrive

The well on the Golden West is now down 525 feet, and not 605 feet, as re-

this district that will prove rich in sildam would be from eight hundred ver, gold and copper when developed. thousand to one milion dollars. It Many mines are now being looked would make a lake about twenty-five after by eastern capitalists. When miles long by two wide and an aver- the three mills now about completed, are in operation, things will be lively

|Solomonville Bulletin. Mt. Graham is one of the highes mountains in the territory and its summit is one of the most pleasant places in the summer that can be "The people of Pinal County and by private enterprise, as the lower Salt tain water game and other attractions. A great many people from the Gifa found; plenty of timber, good mounvalley and the mining camps in the county go to the coast to escape the the land that is to be flooded, and if there was any place with reasonably reasonable amount, and Gila county mosphere was cooler. We hope that next year, at least, some one will have the courage to engage in this scheme Maricopa will make to the Senate even on a limited scale, as it will give committee in September next. The reading of the Aneroid makes the many of our people who cannot get away from their business for more mouth of Tonto creek eleven hun- than a week at a time, a chance to dred feet above Phenix, and the same take a short vacation once or twice during the summer. With plenty of fruit, vegetables and other farm produce so near at hand, itcannot fail be a

Getting Ahead of Uncie Sam. The government has commenced surveys in Idaho for storage reservoirs with a complete system of irrigation of as the largest artificial lake in the tors, who will file on lands and water United States, but it was exceeded in rights along the streams and gulches. size by the reservoirs formed by the Such monopoly by speculators promfollowing dams: ment. One corporation outside of Idaho is attempting to own and control Bear lake for storage and Bear river for a distance of 140 miles in ation of the dam consists of two lines Idaho, that they may sell water to of stone-filled cribs, with ten feet of the lands and towns in Utah. Goverconcrete between them. The down nor Sharp has telegraphed the secredown stream face is curved and faced tary of the interior stating the facts with granite. A small crib dam, 300 and asking that steps be taken at feet below, forms a basin which serves once to prevent this great wrong to

Work has commenced on the deep well which is expected to spout pure, cold mountain water in the near future. On Saturday last Clemins & Cluff arrived in town with the boring apparatus and at once commenced work; but on getting down about 14 feet they encountered a huge boulder, and, in drilling through it the drill wore on one side and made the hole crook ed so that when the casing was driven down it was bent and rendered useless. It was drawn out and another piece put in and the work continued. Doubtless by the time the next Bulletin is issued an abundance of water will have been struck. The drill is now down about 20 feet.-Solo ville Bulletin. To Study French Irrigation.

C. A. Kenaston, of the Geological Survey, has been appointed by the shut down. But the outlook now is that the Reymert camp will at an early day be as large as the King ever lons. It has only recently been be-Secretary of the Interior a special comwith a view to the improvement of our own. The reclamation of the les county will dwarf all these. It arid regions of the West is regarded will be 265 feet high from bed rock, by Secretary Noble as of such vast importance that an effort will be made to utilize all available knowledge of the best systems in use in Europe. of boring for more water continues, masonry will rise 166 feet. It will Mr. Kenaston has been supplied with and when secured the plant will be impound about 37,500,000,000 gallons increased. It is believed that not less of water, forming a lake 16 miles long water, forming a lake 16 miles long Ministers of Public Works and Agriculture and to Minister Reid. Where to Stop.

Mr. H. W. Klein, the well known conservative, that the irrigable land of | boniface, has taken the Russ House at | Board of Supervisors of Pinal county for the the absorbing topic at Florence. The the central west, now wholly barren, Tucson, and, after thoroughly renovatwill make eight states like Indiana, and Colonel Hinton, an expert of the survey, estimates that twenty acres of landlord-famous for his hospitalities specifications, All bids must be in the hands to the rumor that a new paper was to this land cultivated under irrigation and a right royal treatment he ac- of the Clerk on or before the first day of Ocwill produce as much as one hundred acres of land under the average In- a pleasantly situated hotel, convenient Court House and Jail." diana culture. This would enable the to the business portions of the city The successful bidder will be required to whole irrigable area to support forty times the population of Iudiana—say in the ancient and honorable pueblo. Persons from this portion of the territory having occasion to visit Tueson and all bids. The new barber shop has crawled to will find the Russ House the proper By order of Board of Supervisors of Pinal place to stop at.

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